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6 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

11 GEOFFREY GUESS,

12 Defendant.

CASE NO. CASE: 1:20-CR-00241-DAD

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL OF
RECORD AND APPOINT CJA COUNSEL

14 John A. Meyer, appointed counsel of record in the above-captioned case, hereby moves for an
15 order allowing him to withdraw as counsel of record and for appointment of new counsel to represent
16 defendant GEOFFREY GUESS. As grounds he states:

- 17 1. John Meyer was appointed to represent Mr. Guess on December 14, 2020 at his initial
18 appearance.
- 19 2. At the time of appointment the undersigned was a member of the Criminal Justice Act
20 Panel for the Eastern District of California.
- 21 3. Mr. Meyer has accepted employment at the Monterey County Public Defender's Office
22 and anticipates starting employment there on February 15th.
- 23 4. Monterey County prohibits attorneys from practicing law outside of their employment.
- 24 5. As Mr. Guess is still in need of counsel to represent him, the public defender's office has
25 contacted Michael Aed, who is available and willing to accept the appointment.

6. Accordingly, the undersigned requests that he be permitted to withdraw from the case and that new counsel, Michael Aed, be appointed.

Dated: February 9, 2022

/s/ JOHN MEYER

John Meyer

Counsel for GEOFFREY GUESS

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED that John Meyer may withdraw from his representation of GEOFFREY GUESS, and that CJA panel counsel Michael Aed shall be appointed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **February 9, 2022**

/s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE